## An Act

ENROLLED SENATE BILL NO. 1327

By: Brown of the Senate

and

Roberts (Sean) of the House

An Act relating to counties and county officers; providing that a county clerk may employ outside counsel to provide immediate representation; providing for contract approval by the Board of County Commissioners; providing terms of compensation; and providing for codification.

SUBJECT: Counties and county officers

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 271 of Title 19, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

The county clerk in a county shall have the authority to employ a general counsel through an outside law firm, to advise or represent the county clerk and his or her office in the performance of the official duties of that office. The Board of County Commissioners shall approve all contracts for outside counsel. A general counsel employed pursuant to this section shall be compensated from the funds of the employing county office.

Passed the Senate the 14th day of March, 2018. Presiding Officer of the Senate Passed the House of Representatives the 26th day of April, 2018. Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR Received by the Office of the Governor this day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M. By: Approved by the Governor of the State of Oklahoma this day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M. Governor of the State of Oklahoma

Received by the Office of the Secretary of State this day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_ M. By:

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE